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For: INSTRUMENT FOR INSERTING,

ADJUSTING AND REMOVING PEDICLE SCREWS AND OTHER ORTHOPEDIC

**IMPLANTS** 

Examiner: Paul B. Prebilic

## **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION**

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Advisory Action dated October 11, 2006 (Paper No. 20060929), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.